

## GENERAL LOGAN DECLINES.

REFUSING A UNANIMOUS NOMINATION.

SENATOR SHERMAN THE PROBABLE CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT PRO TEM. OF THE SENATE.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—There was such unanimity of opinion among the Republican Senators that it took them only a few minutes to dispose of the work before them in their caucus to-day. Senator Evarts, Hoar, Mahon and a few others were absent, not having reached the city. Senator Sherman called the caucus to order and stated the business before it. Senator Edmunds was quickly on his feet to nominate Senator Logan for President pro tem. of the Senate. In doing so he said that in the month of May, 1884, the Republicans of the Nation in their convention nominated General Logan for Vice-President. He (Mr. Edmunds) had thought it right toward General Logan and toward the party that he should retire from the presidency of the Senate and that General Logan should be chosen in his place, and as they all remembered, he had communicated that opinion and desire to the Republican Senators in a formal way, but it was thought best at that time that the change not be made, especially as General Logan did not wish it to be made. At the last Presidential election last fall, General Logan had received, he believed, the votes of all the Republicans who had the opportunity to vote, and came very near being the choice of the people. Considerable care is devoted to the account of the discussions in the Senate, "Establishing the treaty rights of the United States." The officers and men," says Secretary Whitney, "are charged with responsibility for the execution of the terms of the treaty, and the members of the Senate, by their action, have given the Department full charge of the same." The country can afford to have, and it can afford to have, a man of the highest ability and experience in the service, and I am confident that he will be successful in his efforts to establish the treaty rights of the United States.

Senator Miller Allison and others spoke briefly in favor of General Logan. There was no opposition and the motion for his nomination received the support of every one of the thirty Senators present. When the result was announced Senator Logan surprised many of his associates by declaring in the following speech:

First, that the Naval bill shall be referred to the Naval Committee; the Army and Military Academy bill to the Military Committee; the Post Office bill to the Post Office Committee; the Indian bill to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and the Consular and Diplomatic bill to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, leaving in the custody of the Appropriations Committee the Legislative, Executive and Judicial, Sanitary Civil, Declaratory, Pensions, District of Columbia and Foreign Affairs bills.

Second, to repeal what is known as the "Hulman amendment," which was adopted by the XLIVth Congress, and which permits general legislation upon appropriation bills, provided it retains the existing restrictions, and the general resolution to prohibit appropriation bills, and thus to remove what is frequently cause of obstructive disagreement between the House and Senate.

Third, to provide for a daily morning "hour" of debate, to be used in settling committee reports or bills, and for an adjournment of action on bills.

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